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For : LIQUID FILTERING APPARATUS

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AMENDMENTCommissioner of Patents and Trademarks
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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-referenced patent application
as follows:IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, line 1, after "LIQUID FILTER APPARATUS", kindly
add the following new paragraph:--The present application is a continuation of
international application PCT/AU95/00735, filed 6 November 1995,
which designated the U.S. and is now abandoned.--REMARKS

The present Amendment was submitted in response to the Decision on Petition dated July 31, 1998. In that Decision, the applicant was noted as being entitled to claim the benefit of the international application for the common subject matter under 35 U.S.C. §120, and Section 365(c) for the common subject matter, since the application, and the international application which designated the U.S. were copending on May 2, 1997.

To perfect this claim, the application has been amended as shown above to make proper reference to the parent international application. In addition, submitted herewith is a certified copy of the priority documents. Applicant submits,

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